

## Summary

### Rebenchmarking of Labour Force estimates

#### OVERVIEW

The ABS re-benchmarks Labour Force data once a quarter (ahead of the release of February, May, August and November issues) to ensure the estimates are based on the most up to date population benchmarks. This publication presents the estimates up to July 2017 based on the revised population benchmarks.

Revisions to original data resulting from rebenchmarking are usually confined to the previous 22 months. Detailed information on the extent of revisions resulting from rebenchmarking can be derived by comparing the data released in this issue and the data released in the July 2017 issue of *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6202.0) on 17 August 2017.

Incorporating the latest revised population benchmarks has resulted in minor revisions across the Labour Force series. The population benchmarks were revised from October 2015 to July 2017, however minor revisions to seasonally adjusted and trend estimates will also occur throughout the time series due to concurrent seasonal adjustment.

Further information on the rebenchmarking process is included in the February 2015 issue of *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6202.0).

Users of this rebenchmarking product are encouraged to compare data with that included in the previous release of *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6202.0). However, these rebenchmarked estimates are produced for information only, and should not be considered a replacement for the estimates in *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6202.0).

Users should also note that, until the major rebenchmarking of Labour Force estimates to population estimates based on the 2016 Census occurs, the ABS will continue to update the 2011-based benchmarks to reflect changes in the components of population change, as part of the quarterly rebenchmarking process.

### About this Release

Summary results of the July 2017 Labour Force Survey benchmarked to the August 2017 estimates of the civilian population and containing estimates of employed and unemployed persons classified by sex, full-time/part-time status, states and territories and persons not in the labour force.

## Explanatory Notes

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